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SUMMARY AND COMMENT: DELIVERING THE PRINCIPAL "IDEOLOGICAL"  
SPEECH TO THE 11TH LCY CONGRESS, SENIOR LCY LEADER KARDELJ'S  
MAIN POINT IS THAT THE PARTY'S TRUE STRENGTH MUST LIE IN ITS  
ABILITY TO DEVELOP AND STRENGTHEN "FREEDOM AND DEMOCRACY IN  
SOCIETY AS A WHOLE." THIS REQUIRES DYNAMIC LEADERSHIP  
WHICH CAN ADJUST TO CHANGING CONDITIONS. PERHAPS IN  
ORDER TO PROTECT HIMSELF FROM HARD LINE CRITICS, KARDELJ ALSO

ASSERTS FIRMLY THAT THE LCY REMAINS "RESOLUTELY DETERMINED TO DEFEND ITSELF AGAINST COUNTER REVOLUTION, EVEN BY ADMINISTRATIVE MEANS" (READ POLICE METHODS) IF REQUIRED TO DO SO BECAUSE OF "FOREIGN MEDDLING." THUS, TO A PARTY CONGRESS WHOSE WATCHWORDS HAVE BEEN STABILITY AND CONTINUITY, KARDELJ ADDS AN ADMONITION DIRECTED AT THOSE WHO ARGUE THE LCY CANNOT RISK FURTHER LIBERALIZATION. END SUMMARY AND COMMENT.

1. SPEAKING ON 21 JUNE BEFORE THE IDEOLOGICAL POLITICAL AND ORGANIZATIONAL COMMISSION OF THE 11TH LCY CONGRESS, EDVARD KARDELJ VIGOROUSLY DEFENDED THE CONCEPT OF THE PARTY AS A "DYNAMIC, PROGRESSIVE AND HUMAN FORCE" IN SOCIETY, ALTHOUGH ONE PREPARED TO USE HARSH MEASURES AGAINST ITS COUNTER REVOLUTIONARY ENEMIES IF NEED BE. KARDELJ CONSTRUCTS HIS ARGUMENT THUS:

-- ADMITTEDLY, YUGOSLAV SOCIETY REMAINS SIGNIFICANTLY BURDENED BY THE "POLITICAL CONFLICTS, DIVISIONS AND DISTINCTIONS" WHICH AROSE FROM YUGOSLAVIA'S WARTIME EXPERIENCE. WHILE THESE ANTAGONISMS HAVE BEEN TO SOME EXTENT MITIGATED, "IN ESSENCE THEY REMAIN UNCHANGED".  
-- THIS DEMONSTRATES THAT "IN THE POLITICAL SENSE, COUNTER REVOLUTION HAS NOT SURRENDERED", AND THAT THERE MUST BE CONSTANT VIGILANCE AND STRUGGLE.  
-- ALTHOUGH SOCIALIST SELF MANAGEMENT IS STRONG AND "OUGHT TO BE ABLE" TO DEFEND ITSELF AGAINST COUNTER LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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REVOLUTION THROUGH "REGULAR LEGAL MEASURES," THIS IS NOT ALWAYS POSSIBLE. "OUR OPPONENTS ARE ALSO INSTRUMENTS OF FOREIGN POWERS .... WE NEED NOT BE THE SLIGHTEST BIT SENSITIVE TO CRITICISM FROM FOREIGNERS THAT WE ON OCCASION RESORT TO ADMINISTRATIVE MEASURES" AGAINST THEM.

-- HOWEVER, THIS PROVIDES NO EXCUSE FOR CRITICS FROM THE "ULTRA LEFT" WHO SEIZE ON "SLOGANS OF CHAUVINISTIC NATIONALISM, PSEUDO LIBERALISM ... OR COMINFORMISM TO ATTACK THE CONCEPT OF SOCIALIST SELF MANAGEMENT.  
-- IN FACT, ALTHOUGH THE LCY MUST BE READY TO DEFEND ITSELF EVEN BY HARSH MEASURES IF NEED BE, OVER THE LONG TERM THE LCY CANNOT MAINTAIN ITSELF IN POWER BY FORCE ALONE. IT MUST BE CAPABLE OF GAINING THE "DEMOCRATIC SUPPORT" OF THE PEOPLE.  
-- FURTHER, THE PARTY CANNOT LEAD BY BECOMING A "MONOPOLISTIC FORCE" WHICH RELIES SOLELY ON THE PARTY AND STATE BUREAUCRACY.

2. KARDELJ'S MAIN POINT: LIFE GOES ON, CONDITIONS CHANGE, AND THE LCY MUST KNOW HOW TO DEVELOP AND CHANGE TOO IF IT IS NOT TO STAGNATE AND THEREBY LOSE ITS PLACE IN THE

"VANGUARD". ONLY IF THE LCY ADJUSTS TO AND UTILIZES  
DYNAMIC CHANGES IN SOCIETY TO BRING "NEW, BETTER AND  
FREER" MEASURES TO BEAR ON EVERYDAY PROBLEMS WILL  
THE LCY BE TRULY SECURE FROM ITS ENEMIES ON THE LEFT  
AND ON THE RIGHT, BOTH INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL.  
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